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MARYSVILLE CRIPS GANG MEMBER GETS 37 MONTHS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR METHAMPHETAMINE TRAFFICKING AND BEING A FELON IN POSSESSION OF AMMUNITION

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that PHILLIP DAVIS JR., 24, of Marysville, California was sentenced today by U.S. District Court Judge Edward J. Garcia to 37 months in prison for methamphetamine trafficking and being a felon in possession of live ammunition. DAVIS had pleaded guilty to both federal felony offenses on August 10, 2007.

This case is the product of an extensive investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and its Safe Streets Task Force, comprised of the Yuba County Sheriff's Department, the Marysville Police Department, the Yuba City Police Department, and other state and local law enforcement in and around Yuba County and Sutter County, California.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Michelle Rodriguez, who is prosecuting the case, at about 12 am in the morning of May 13, 2007, an officer of the Yuba County Sheriff's Department was on patrol in a fully marked police car when he encountered DAVIS and a female in a car in a dark alley on Riverside Drive in Marysville. During a routine welfare check by the officer, on DAVIS' person the officer found a digital scale and user quantity packages of methamphetamine. DAVIS' ammunition (in a loaded gun) was also found in the car. DAVIS admitted to the officer that, since age 8, he has been a member of the CRIPS street gang. At the time of his arrest, DAVIS was on parole. He had previously been convicted in Yuba County in 2002 for unlawful transportation and sales of a controlled substance.

In federal court today, DAVIS was also sentenced to serve three years of supervised release following his 37 months in federal custody, and was also ordered to pay a \$200.00 special assessment. DAVIS has been remanded into federal custody for service of his sentence.

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